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## **AMENDMENT 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

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Sir:

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In response to the Patent Office Action dated July 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

[0028] This is attained by providing the elastic knitting 4, as schematically presented in Fig. 5, before insertion into the frame 3, which is rectangular, with a cut contour deviating from the rectangular form, whose outer contours 4a run curved and, as shown in Fig. 5, is made wider in zones 15 and zone 17 than in the zones 14, 16 and 18. If, according to the invention, the outer contours 4a of this elastic knitting 4, are pulled outwards following the arrow 21 up to the longitudinal bars 5, a prestress greater than in the zones in between is created because of the greater extension between the longitudinal bars 5 in the zones 14,

